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FM AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 196

INFO AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L NEW DELHI 3434

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SINGAPORE FOR AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP

SUBJECT: DELAY IN SECRETARY'S VISIT TO INDIA

1. THE EMBASSY DELIVERED THE SECRETARY'S LETTER TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER ON MARCH 11. SINCE THEN, THE CHARGE HAS HAD TWO CONVERSATIONS WITH JOINT SECRETARY FOR THE AMERICAS TEJA WHICH HAVE REVEALED NO OVERT CONCERN OVER CONTINUED DEFERRAL OF THE SECRETARY'S VISIT AND HAVE INDICATED THAT THE GOI WOULD LIKE TO PREVENT THE DEFERRAL FROM BECOMING A MATTER OF PUBLIC CONTROVERSY.

2. TEJA HAS SAID THAT THE GOI QUITE UNDERSTANDS HOW BUSY THE SECRETARY IS. THEY HOPE THAT IF THE SECRETARY CANNOT COME NOW, HE WILL BE ABLE TO COME LATER. TEJA SAID HE FELT IT WAS IMPORTANT THERE BE NO SPECULATION ON THE DELAY IN THE PRESS. THIS COULD CAUSE "MISUNDERSTANDING". IT WAS CLEAR HIS MEANING WAS THAT HE WISHED TO AVOID ANY INTERRELATIONSHIP BETWEEN RECENT ATTACKS ON THE US AIN THE INDIAN PRESS AND THE SECRETARY'S DEFERRAL. THE CHARGE MENTIONED GONSALVES' REMARKS ABOUT THE DELAY (STATE 048871) AND TEJA NODDED AGREEMENT.

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3. COMMENT: WE THINK THE SECRETARY'S LETTER STRUCK

EXACTLY THE RIGHT NOTE. WE AGREE THAT WE SHOULD DO  
WHAT WE CAN TO PREVENT ANY PUBLIC ASSOCIATION OF THE  
DEFERRAL WITH RECENT CRITICISM OF THE US HERE. FOR  
AT LEAST THE PRESENT THE EMBASSY INTENDS TO OFFER NO COMMENTS  
ON THE SECRETARY'S PLANS. WHEN QUESTIONS ARE ASKED  
IN WASHINGTON, WE SUGGEST THE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN  
SIMPLY CONTINUE TO SAY THAT NO FORMAL PLANNING HAS YET  
BEEN DONE FOR A VISIT WHICH THE SECRETARY INTENDS  
TO MAKE WHEN HIS SCHEDULE PERMITS.  
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